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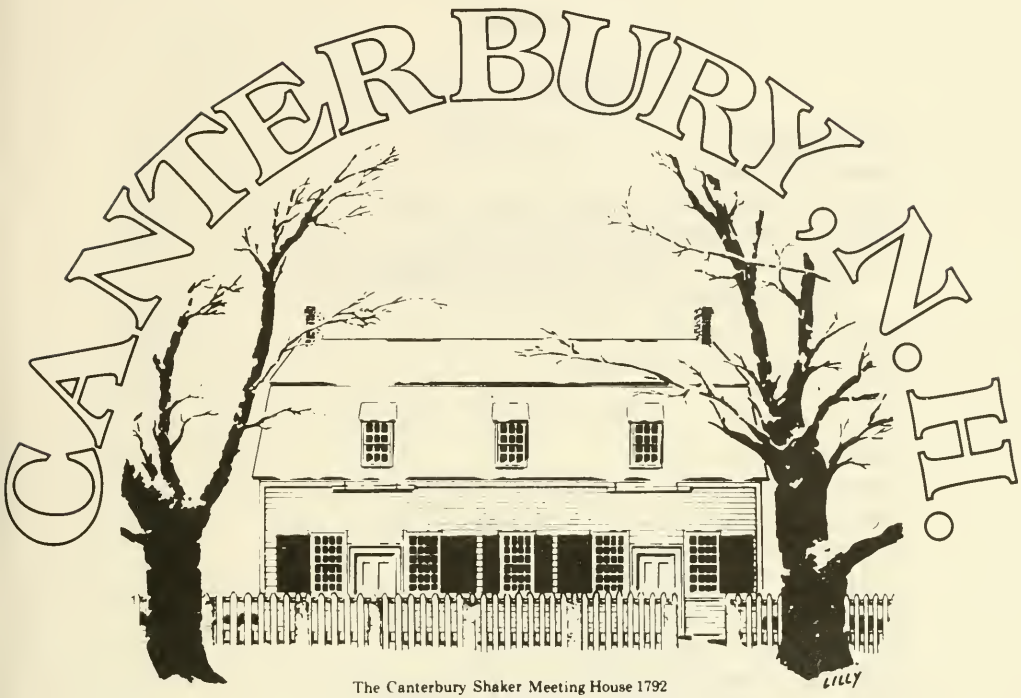

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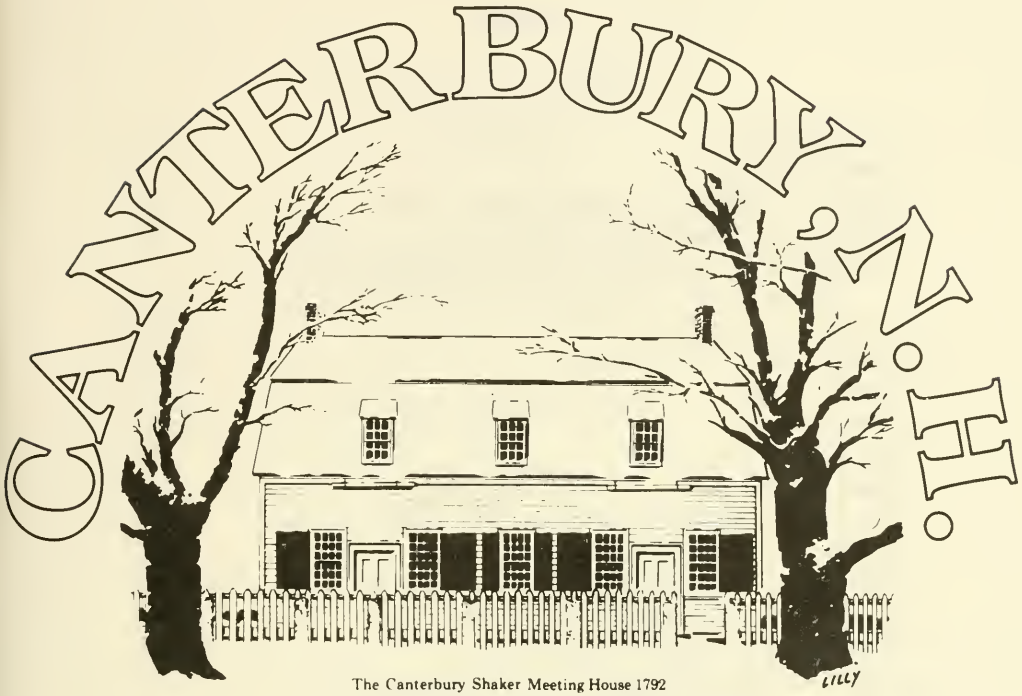

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TOWN OFFICERS
(Elected)

Selectmen (3 Yrs.)
Robert Scarponi, Chairman (1984)
Gordon Jackson (1985)
John Pratt (1986)

Town Clerk (3 Yrs.)
Cheryl Gordon (1986)

Treasurer (1 Yr.)
Dan T. Rownd (1984)

Tax Collector (3 Yrs.)
Cheryl Gordon (1986)

Auditors (1 Yr. and 2 Yrs.)
William Mears (1984)
Richard LeClair (1985)

Moderator (2 Yrs.)
Oliver Fifield (1984)

School Board (3 Yrs.)
Robert Upton (1985)
Nancy Cass (1986)

Planning Board (3 Yrs.)
William Egan, Chairman (1986)
Robert Wardell (1986)

Ronald Corriveau	(1984)
Kenneth Bouchard	(1985) (Resigned)
James Carter	(1985)
Katharine Bogle	(1984)

Gordon Jackson, Selectman
Appointed Alternates:
James Ashworth
Jeffrey Leidinger

Cemetery Committee (3 Yrs.)

Virginia Dudley	(1986)
Charles Dubois	(1984)
Linwood Rogers	(1985)

Supervisors of Checklist (6 Yrs.)

Priscilla Lockwood	(1984)
Mary Ann Winograd	(1986)
Wayne Mann	(1988)

Library Trustees (3 Yrs.)

Mason Newick	(1986)
Lois Johanson	(1984)
Sarah Kinter	(1985)
Brian Kilrain	(1986)
Mary Ann Sanborn	(1985)

Trustee of Trust Funds (3 Yrs.)

Virginia Dudley	(1986)
Nancy Lilly	(1985)
Sewall Smith	(1984) Appointed

TOWN OFFICERS
(Appointed)

Clerk of the Board
Kathryn Dickson

Assistant Clerk of the Board
Marion Spencer

Road Agent
Hugh R. Fifield

Police
Harry Heath, Chief
Henry Greemore, Officer
Reginald LeClair, Officer

Health Officer
Dr. Gerard Smith

Fire Warden
Peter Angwin

Budget Committee (3 Yrs.)

Everand Young, Chairman	(1985)
Gerow Brill	(1986)
Richard Ennis	(1986)
George Glines	(1984)
Paulette Gladu	(1984)
Ludger Flamand	(1984)
Robert Lee	(1985)
Robert Boyd	(1986)

Board of Adjustment (5 Yrs.)

Philip Cochrane	(1988)
Joseph Halla, Chairman	(1986)

Jeff Brillhart	(1985)
Carol Ashworth	(1984)
John Pratt — Resigned	(1985)
Sabin Guertin	(1987)
Alternates:	
Mike Winograd	(1984)

Conservation Commission (3 Yrs.)

Nola Stokes	(1986)
Robert Fife	(1986)
James Carter, Chairman	(1984)
Dale Caswell	(1984)
Paul Sanborn	(1984)
Cleve Kapala	(1985)
Mary Ellen Fifield	(1985)

Fire Department

Peter Angwin, Chief
Lynn Edmunds, Secretary-Treasurer
Joel Hildreth, Deputy
Dale Caswell, Deputy

Librarian

Claudia Leidinger
Julie Brillhart, Assistant Librarian

Building Inspector

B. Gregory Miller

Recreation Committee (3 Yrs.)

Richard Ennis, Chairman	(1986)
Virginia LaPlante	(1985)
William Messer	(1985)
Thomas Geno	(1984)
Kevin Hunt	(1986)

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

State of New Hampshire

The Polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Canterbury in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Canterbury on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of March, next at 10:00 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

FIRST SESSION

The FIRST SESSION shall be held at the Town Hall in said Canterbury, on Tuesday, the Thirteenth day of March next, between the hours of 10 A.M. o'clock and 7 P.M. o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing, by ballot.

2. To see if the Town will rescind the provisions of RSA 72:62 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with a solar energy heating or cooling system which exemption shall be in amount of 100% as approved by Town Ballot on March 2, 1976, and adopt the provisions of RSA 72:62 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with a solar energy heating or cooling system which exemption shall be in amount of the equalized assessed value but not to exceed $5,000, by ballot.

3. To see if the Town will adopt the following changes to the Zoning Ordinance, by ballot.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO ZONING ORDINANCE TO BE ACTED ON AT THE FIRST SESSION OF TOWN MEETING

ZONING ORDINANCE

Amendment 1:

Amend Section 3.13 (Definitions) of the Canterbury Zoning Ordinance by striking said Section and replacing it with the following definition:

3:13 Manufactured Housing

Shall mean any structure, transportable in one or more sections, which, in the traveling mode, is 8 body feet or more in width and 40 body feet or more in length, or when erected on site, is 320 square feet or more, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to required utilities, which include plumbing, heating and electrical systems contained therein.

(The effect of this amendment is to bring the Canterbury Zoning Ordinance in accordance with State Statutes).

Amendment 2:

Amend Section 3.14 (Definitions) of the Canterbury Zoning Ordinance by striking said Section and replacing it with the following definition:

3:14 Mobile Home/Manufactured Housing Park

A plot or parcel designed to be used exclusively for the siting of more than one mobile or manufactured housing unit.

(The effect of this amendment is to update the Section to include the new State Statutes).

Amendment 3:

Amend Section 2.8 of the Canterbury Zoning Ordinance by inserting after the title the following language:

As used in this ordinance the term "mobile home" shall mean "manufactured housing" as defined in Section 3.13 of the Zoning Ordinance.
(The effect of this amendment is to eliminate the need to change and reprint each page that the words mobile home appear on.

SECOND SESSION

The SECOND SESSION shall be held at the CANTERBURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL on FRIDAY the 23rd day of March next at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

4. To raise such money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow money, in anticipation of the collection of taxes, for the current municipal year, and to issue, in the name of and on the credit of the Town, negotiable notes therefore.

6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell property taken by Tax Collector Deed by public auction or sealed bid or as justice may require after consultation with the Conservation Commission. (RSA 80:42)

7. To see if the Town will vote to have the Appraisal Division of the Department of Revenue Administration conduct a complete revaluation starting in June, 1984, or thereafter, and further to appoint the selectmen as agents to administer the Capital Reserve Fund previously established for this purpose.

8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $12,000 (twelve thousand dollars) to be placed in the Capital Reserve

Fund previously established for the revaluation of the Town by the Appraisal Division of the Department of Revenue Administration and further to authorize the withdrawal of $12,000 (twelve thousand dollars) from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund to be used for said purpose.

9. To see if the Town will vote to rescind appropriation of funds not spent or encumbered received from the Revenue Sharing Fund for the purpose of incinerator repairs as authorized at the 1981 Town Meeting.

10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $3,370 (three thousand three hundred seventy dollars) for improvements to the dump and authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Revenue Sharing Fund.

11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $5,102 (five thousand one hundred two dollars) for the following new equipment for the Canterbury Volunteer Fire Department:

a. 500' Forestry Hose	$ 680.00
b. One set of Keoler Hand Light	224.00
c. Two Pagers	650.00
d. One Fire Extinguisher	65.00
e. One Gated Y	620.00
f. One Portable Radio	1,293.00
g. Spanner Wrenches W/B	80.00
h. NFPA Code Books	350.00
i. One 1¾'' Nozzle	380.00
j. Ten Face Shields	140.00
k. Wet Water	40.00
l. Two O^2 Regulators	180.00
m. One Pair of MAST Pants	400.00
	$5,102.00

12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $3,500 (three thousand five hundred dollars) for the purchase of a

Medical Emergency Vehicle and further to authorize the withdrawal of $5,000 (five thousand dollars) for this purpose from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

13. To see if the Town will authorize and direct the Selectmen to review the considerations which may be involved in participating with the City of Concord Solid Waste Resource Recovery Project, to enter into discussions and negotiations regarding the project, and to report back to the Town as to their findings and recommendations. A decision by the town to participate or not to participate in the project will be deferred to a special town meeting in the fall of 1984, or the regular town meeting in March of 1985.

14. To see if the Town will take the following action regarding roads:

a. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue any and all interest it may have in "Glover Road," so-called from the southern boundary of William and Mary Colburn southerly to the Concord City line.

b. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue any and all interest it may have in the "Old Northfield Station Road" running westerly from N. H. Route 132 through lands of Frank Tupper to the State of New Hampshire, Interstate 93 Rest Area.

c. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue any and all interest it may have in the "Old Northfield Road" running northerly from N. H. Route 132 to "Sawyer Ferry Road" (also known as Oak Hill Road).

d. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue any and all interest it may have in the "Old Northfield Road" running northerly from "Sawyer Ferry Road" so called to Interstate 93.

15. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Class V road that section of the East Branch of Battis Crossing Road that

was improved according to specifications set by the Planning Board in 1977 when the subdivision of the abutting properties was approved. (By Petition)

16. To see if the Town of Canterbury shall call upon the Governor and Executive Council, its State Representative(s) and State Senator to promptly convene a Special Session of the Legislature for the sole purpose of preventing the imposition of huge cost increases in electric rates resulting from the Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant on the citizens, businesses, schools and agencies in the Town of Canterbury, and to direct the Selectmen to promptly notify our above listed elected officials of the Town's desire. (By Petition)

17. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Robert Scarponi, Chairman
Gordon Jackson
John Pratt
Selectmen of Canterbury

A true copy of the Warrant — Attest:

Robert Scarponi, Chairman
Gordon Jackson
John Pratt

RESULTS OF BALLOT VOTE
FOR TOWN OFFICERS
1983 Town Meeting

SELECTMEN: 1 position 3 years

John S. Pratt	272

TREASURER: 1 position 1 year

Dan T. Rownd, Jr.	265

TOWN CLERK — TAX COLLECTOR: 1 position 3 years

Cheryl A. Gordon	310

AUDITOR: 1 position 1 year

William Mears	33
Everand Young	3

AUDITOR: 1 position 2 years

Richard Ennis	6
William Mears	4

PLANNING BOARD: 2 positions 3 years

William M. Egan	222
James H. Pannell	126
Robert H. Wardell	170

CEMETERY COMMITTEE: 1 position 3 years

Virginia W. Dudley	296

LIBRARY TRUSTEES: 3 positions 3 years

Sarah A. Kinter	261
Brian M. Kilrain	244
Mason Newick	268

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS: 1 position

Virginia W. Dudley	284

Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 466:30-a which make it unlawful for any dog to run at large, except when accompanied by the owner or custodian, and when used for hunting, herding, supervised competition and exhibition or training for such? (By Petition) Yes 103 — No 195

RESULTS OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE AND BUILDING CODE BALLOT

1. Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance Article 2.5C, as proposed by the Planning Board by adding "excluding advertising signs" after "exterior indication"?
(The effect of this amendment is to permit on-premise signs advertising home occupations.) Yes 208 — No 94

2. Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board by adding a new Article 3.95,
"Frontage, Frontage shall be measured by a continuous line along a road or street as defined in this ordinance"?
(The effect of this amendment is to ensure a minimum unbroken frontage.) Yes 212 — No 93

3. Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board by adding a new Article 4.0D,
"A non-conforming use shall not be expanded or altered in degree or type"?
(The effect of this amendment is to clarify the conditions for a non-conforming use.) Yes 189 — No 103

4. Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board by adding to Article 4.1 a new paragraph,
"For the purpose of this article "contiguous land" shall include land separated from a lot by a road or street. Such nonconforming lots shall be merged with other contiguous land and may not be separately conveyed. If with additional acreage the land still cannot meet the other terms of the ordinance then the Board of Adjustments has to make the decision for variances in each case"?
(The effect of this amendment will require merging of nonconforming lots under common ownership.)
Yes 169 — No 119

5. Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board a new Article 5.3A3,

"In computing the minimum lot acreage requirement that portion of the lot between the front boundary line and the minimum lot width line from which the setback is measured in Article 5.3B shall not be included"?

(The effect of this amendment is to require subtraction from lot area, for compliance with zoning, that frontal portion which has less than the required width.) Yes 158 — No 127

6. Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board by adding to Article 5.3B a new paragraph,

"Where a lot has less than required frontage, the front setback shall be measured from the nearest line that meets the minimum lot width and that is parallel to the road or street"?

(Like amendment No. 5, this discounts that part of the front of the lot that is of less than required width.)
Yes 166 — No 122

7. Are you in favor of amending the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board by deleting and adding to Article 5.3C,

Delete "a deeded right of way" and replace with "an access"

Delete "regularly maintained by the town or state" and replace with "as defined in this ordinance" in the first paragraph

Add a new paragraph "In a subdivision, the width of a right of way shall not be a part of the frontage of any individual lot but shall be in addition to any frontage requirement and no two rights of way or accesses shall be closer than 900 feet"?

(The effects of this amendment are to require that the width of an access to back land be excluded from the frontage of another lot and that in a single subdivision such accesses will be separated by 900 feet.) Yes 168 — No 117

BUILDING CODE BALLOT

1. Are you in favor of amending the Building Code as proposed by the Planning Board by adding to A.11 a new b.,

"Only those automatic-dialler alarms approved by the Fire Dept. may be installed"?

(This amendment was recommended by the Canterbury Fire Dept. to alleviate the serious problem of false alarms with some types of automatic diallers.) Yes 237 — No 67

MINUTES OF TOWN MEETING
(Business Portion)

March 11, 1983

The adjourned Town Meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, March 11, 1983, by the Moderator, Oliver Fifield.

The Moderator read the results of the balloting at the first session. The dog restraint law was defeated by a vote of 195-103. All of the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance were passed and the amendment to the Building Code passed.

History notes for 1982, written by Nola Stokes, were passed out at Town Meeting. The moderator commented on the Town Report, and thanked Jim Lilly for the excellent job he did with the design of the cover.

The Moderator decided to dispense with the complete reading of the warrant and to read each article as it came up.

Article 4.

To raise money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

Bob Scarponi moved that the budget be adopted as printed. It was seconded.

Bob Dudley asked why there was not a detailed breakdown of expenditures by department in this year's Town Report as there has been in previous years. Bob Scarponi, Selectman, explained that it was an attempt to cut down on the expense of the Town Report.

Selectman Bob Scarponi wanted the people to know that they could expect a dramatic increase in the 1983 tax rate. He explained that due to an administrative error two years ago, the Town had a $134,000 surplus in 1982. The Department of Revenue Administration ordered the selectmen to apply the entire amount to offset taxes last year, so the Town's rate did not increase. This year, however, the rate will go up con-

siderably, because there is no surplus to offset increased expenses and because of anticipated increases in the school tax rate.

Jim Pannell asked that since the taxes will be collected twice this year, what is the first bill sent in June to be based on. Bob Scarponi answered that the June bill would be half of the amount of what was paid the previous year.

Charlie Smith asked if we would know the amount of the December bill when we receive the first bill in June. Bob Scarponi answered him no, as the December bill will be based on the new tax rate.

The motion to accept the budget as printed in the Town Report was voted on and passed.

Article 5.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to borrow money, in anticipation of the collection of taxes, for the current municipal year, in the name of and on the credit of the Town, negotiable notes therefore.

Mike Donahue moved the adoption of this article and it was seconded.

Article 5 passed.

Article 6.

"Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:43-f for the adjusted elderly exemptions from property tax? These statutes provide for the following exemptions, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, $10,000; for a person 75 years up to 80 years, $15,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, $20,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years; own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by his spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of less than $10,000 or if mar-

ried, a combined net income of less than $12,000, and own net assets of $30,000 or less, excluding the value of the person's residence."

Bob Scarponi moved that we adopt this article and it was seconded.

Tom Geno asked if this is an increase or a decrease of the elderly exemption. Gordon Jackson, Selectman, said that we presently have expanded elderly exemptions; the **adjusted** elderly exemption has basically the same qualifications with the exclusion of the person's residence as an asset.

It was moved that Article 6 be passed over at this time, since the voting would have to be done with a paper ballot. The motion was seconded and passed.

Article 7.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $30,000 for the purchase of a highway truck outfitted with sander and plow wing and authorize the withdrawal of $18,500 from the highway equipment and truck capital reserve funds and further to authorize the withdrawal of $11,500 from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

Kay Cushman moved the adoption of this article. It was seconded.

Jim Albert asked the selectmen why we would need an additional truck. Gordon Jackson explained that the main reason would be to save wear on the road grader. A third truck would also allow us to have a quicker response in maintaining the roads and it would be a backup in the case that a breakdown occurred.

Bob Lee asked if the selectmen had looked into the cost of contracting equipment from another town. Gordon said that it would cost $30 an hour to rent equipment which would run about $5,000 to $6,000 a year.

Hugh Fifield spoke in favor of this article, stating that the

town had gotten along with two trucks for a number of years, but now that the town is growing and more people are commuting, the roads have to be cleared more quickly.

Mary Pannell spoke in favor of purchasing the truck stating that Hugh Fifield has done an outstanding job on the roads and she felt that the Road Agent would know better than anyone what the Highway Department will need for equipment.

Rose Angwin spoke in opposition to this article saying that she felt that Revenue Sharing Funds are being misused. She said that the selectmen had stated that we would be getting this truck with no increase to the taxes, but the purchase of the truck would mean more maintenance, insurance, etc. Gordon Jackson said that the money was available and taxes would not be increased this year. In four years time the truck will have paid for itself and it would be a saving on the grader. Bob Scarponi stated that by rotating the use of the three trucks, they would last longer and the grader could be saved for doing the roads in the Spring.

Lucien Hildreth asked where they are planning to store the new truck. Bob Scarponi said that they are looking into the possibility of using the old fire station for the storage of the truck.

Eric Sharpe asked if the dump truck would fit in the old fire station and Hugh Fifield answered him, yes.

A vote was called on Article 7.

Article 7 was passed.

Article 8.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $8,500 for the purchase of a police cruiser and authorize the withdrawal of $6,500 from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund and further to authorize the withdrawal of $2,000 from the police cruiser capital reserve fund.

Eric Sharpe moved the adoption of this article. Gerald Benard seconded.

Harry Heath spoke in favor of the article, explaining why the Police Department needs a new cruiser.

Article 8 was passed unanimously.

Article 9.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $2,683 for new equipment for the Fire Department and authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

2½" task nozzle	450.
1¾" task nozzle	370.
Motorola pagers	627.
2 pairs of bunker pants	200.
Smoke ejector	382.
2½ gal. fire extinguisher	54.
Gate valve Y fittings	600.

Eric Sharpe moved the adoption of this article. Gerald Benard seconded. Peter Angwin, Fire Chief, explained what the items are that are needed for new equipment for the Fire Department.

Article 9 was voted on and passed.

Article 10.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $1,400 for a forestry pump for the Fire Department and authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

Charlie Dean moved the adoption of this article. Gil Gordon seconded.

Dale Caswell of the Fire Department explained that the portable pump is needed to give us access to more water, particularly up around Forest Pond. The Town needs more portable pumps to fight forest fires.

Article 10 was voted on and passed.

Article 11.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $1,150 to insulate Elkins Library and authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

Mary Ellen Fifield moved the adoption of this article. Sue Caswell seconded.

Bob Wardell asked if this had been put out to bid. Mary Ellen Fifield told him, no; we received an estimate from Ferns for blown-in insulation.

Jim Pannell questioned the use of Revenue Sharing funds for this article. He asked what purposes can Federal Revenue Sharing funds be used for. Gordon Jackson told him that they can be used for anything to offset the tax rate.

Article 11 was voted on and passed.

Article 12.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $1,500 for the painting and maintenance of the Town Buildings and authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

Bob Scarponi moved that this article be adopted. Cheryl Gordon seconded.

Peter Angwin asked if this article would include the painting of the Fire Department building. Mary Ellen Fifield explained that the Sam Lake House needs painting, the Town Hall should be painted inside and out, the steps on the Town Hall need to be fixed, and the Town Hall windows are in bad repair. She said that we will need a sign designating the Town Offices and also landscaping would be nice for the outside of the Sam Lake House. We will make the $1,500 go as far as we can in maintaining the Town Buildings.

Bob Lockwood asked what the other money that we have voted on in the budget for the maintenance of Town Build-

ings is to be used for. Mary Ellen said that the money in the budget is used mainly for fuel, electricity, and a small amount of maintenance.

Craig Briggs asked how far the $1,500 would go. Mary Ellen Fifield told him that the repair of the Town Hall steps would take priority and then the outside of the Town Buildings would be painted.

Article 12 was voted on and passed.

Article 13.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $13,000 through the issuance of note(s) to be repaid over a period of 3 years and to authorize the withdrawal of $7,000 from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund for the purpose of a rescue truck for the Canterbury Fire Department. (By Petition) (Not recommended by Selectmen.)

Charlie Dean moved that we adopt this article. It was seconded.

Bob Boyd asked that we amend the article to read, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000 plus interest through the issuance of note(s) or bonds to be repaid over a period of 3 years for the purpose of a rescue truck for the Canterbury Fire Department."

Oliver Fifield said that this article would require a two-thirds approval from the Town as we are asking the voters to buy a bond.

Bob Lockwood moved the adoption of this article as amended. Gerry Benard seconded.

Bob Boyd explained the need for a rescue truck in Canterbury. He said that since this would not be a transport vehicle, the Fire Department has never suggested that the Penacook Rescue be replaced. The vehicle they proposed to buy would provide a stable environment for the sick and wounded while the fire department waited for the Penacook Rescue Squad to

arrive. He said that the rescue vehicle would increase the service life of the fire truck. Since there are many places in Canterbury that the fire truck cannot go, the four-wheel drive rescue truck would be needed.

Bob Scarponi spoke in opposition to this article stating that the selectmen feel that the expenditure is not equal to the benefits that we will receive. With this new equipment will come the need for training new people. The liability insurance will have to be increased and it will be a growing expenditure.

Geoff Niswander stated that we presently get State funds to pay for EMT courses. He explained the advantages of the rescue truck and spoke in favor of this article.

Eric Sharpe spoke in favor of the article saying that we are looking at a low cost vehicle to take the work off the fire truck.

Peter Angwin stated that the rescue truck would give us 15 to 20 years of service.

A vote was taken on the article as amended.

Since Article 13 needed two-thirds approval, it was defeated by a hand vote of 88 yes, 62 no.

Article 6.

A paper ballot count was taken on this article.

Article 6 passed with a vote of 100 yes, 8 no.

Article 14.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $8,000 to the established Capital Reserve Fund for a revaluation of all property to be conducted by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration in 1984 or thereafter.

Bob Lockwood moved that we adopt this article. Doug Ruesswick seconded.

Jim Ashworth asked when we were scheduled for revaluation.

The selectmen answered that the Department of Revenue has us scheduled for the summer of 1984, but it depended on the workload so it could be sometime after that date.

Article 14 was voted on and passed.

Article 15.

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Class V road that section namely Phase II of Cambridge Drive in the Bella Vista cluster subdivision.

Bob Scarponi moved the adoption of this article. Cheryl Gordon seconded.

Rob Upton wanted to know how long the road is. Luke Smith said that the road is approximately 1700 feet long; 650 feet is open space and the balance is the frontage for seven lots. The subdivision was approved by the Planning Board in 1976 and Phase I was approved in March of 1979.

Bob Scarponi said that with each phase, a bond is posted and it is accepted by the Town and Road Agent. This is the second phase of the development. The road must meet Town standards.

Rob Upton asked if the road was paved and if there were any houses. Luke Smith said that there were no houses and the road is oiled. The first phase has four completed houses.

Bob Boyd asked if we currently maintain part of the road and how many miles of the road will be maintained when it is finished. He was answered that the first part of the road is maintained by the Town. There will be a total of three phases; the second phase is 1700 feet long and the third phase will be another 1700 feet.

Graham Chynoweth asked if there were any other subdivisions in Canterbury that have had similar action by the Planning Board. Bob Scarponi answered him no.

Ken Bouchard wanted to know how this road could be approved without being paved. Bob Scarponi said that this

would be subject to the approval of the Road Agent. He moved that we amend the article to include ". . . subject to the approval of the road agent." The motion was seconded.

Jon Fifield moved that we amend the amendment to read ". . . subject to the approval of the road agent and the selectmen." The motion was seconded.

A vote was taken on the article as amended.

Article 15 was passed.

Article 16.

Shall the voters of Canterbury show their support for passage, by the New Hampshire legislature, of a law mandating returnable containers; the so-called "bottle bill."

Lois Booth moved that we adopt this article. Bob Wardell seconded.

Jim Pannell explained the bill.

Article 16 was voted on and passed.

Article 17.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $500 for the acquisition and installation of street signs. (By Petition)

Bob Boyd moved the adoption of this article. Charlie Dean seconded.

Eric Sharpe wanted to know what kind of street signs does this pertain to and how many streets. Jim Pannell said that he initiated this article and the signs are to mark the names of the roads in Town.

Bob Lockwood moved that we table this article. It was seconded.

Article 17 was tabled by a vote of the Town.

Article 18.

To see if the Town will vote to go on record in support of immediate actions by the Federal Government to control and reduce acid rain which is harmful to the environment and economy of Canterbury and to the health and welfare of the people of Canterbury. (By Petition)

Mike Donahue moved that we adopt this article. Rob Upton seconded.

Article 18 was voted on and passed unanimously.

Article 19.

To see if the Town will vote to reestablish its membership in the Central N. H. Regional Planning Commission and to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,109 for that purpose, based on a per capita dues assessment of seventy-five cents. (By Petition)

Sabin Guertin moved the adoption of this article. Bob Boyd seconded.

Sabin Guertin spoke in favor of this article and gave a lengthy explanation of why he thought the Town of Canterbury should join the Central N. H. Regional Planning Commission.

Dale Caswell wanted to know how the selectmen felt about the passage of this article. Two selectmen did not think there was a need to fund CNHRPC, since we can get the same services from the New Hampshire Municipal Association. One selectmen was in favor of membership in the CNHRPC.

Article 19 was voted on and defeated.

Article 20.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $714.03 for local services to low-income and elderly residents of Canterbury through the Concord Area Center, Community Action Program, Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. (By Petition)

Mike Winograd moved the adoption of this article. Kay Cushman seconded.

Kay Cushman spoke in favor of this article.

Mary Ellen Fifield said that the selectmen are not in favor of this article because the town has the funds to care for the poor. She said that no one in Town has asked the selectmen for anything and we should be using Town funds instead of paying someone in another town to administer help.

Jim Ashworth spoke in favor of this article, stating that we do have Town funds, but no one is going to go to the selectmen to ask for help.

Bill Egan, Jim Albert, Mike Winograd, and Cynthia Olson spoke in favor of funding C. A. P.

Ray Cushman suggested that the question be moved.

Article 20 was voted on and passed unanimously.

Article 21.

To see if the Town will vote to commence winter maintenance of the road called the East Branch of Battis Crossing Road with the first snow of 1983-1984. Such section of road to be maintained is two-tenths of a mile long. (By Petition)

Tom Geno moved to adopt this article. It was seconded.

Ken Bouchard asked if this was currently a Town road. The answer was no. Ken spoke in opposition to this article, stating that the Town should not maintain this dirt road.

Charles Cook was granted permission to speak on this article and said that he is building a house on Battis Crossing Road and the road is better than other town roads.

George Glines said that the road is brought up to Town specifications and he spoke in favor of the adoption of this article.

Tom Geno said that they are just asking for **winter**

maintenance of the road, and he felt that the Town should maintain it.

Lois Booth mentioned that the people bought the land because they thought the road would be accepted by the Town.

Selectman Bob Scarponi said that if we begin to maintain a Class VI road, we will open up all issues of Class VI roads.

Jim Ashworth said that he was not in favor of passing this article as it reads. He felt that the road should be fully maintained or not maintained at all. When the road is rutted it may ruin the plows.

Chuck Rancour said that the Town of Canterbury does not maintain the section of highway on Intervale Road. The Town of Northfield maintains the road on that end of Town.

Hugh Fifield said that the Town of Canterbury has an agreement with Northfield to do their section of road on Shaker Road and in turn, Northfield maintains the road for Canterbury on Intervale Road. If the Town agrees to plow Battis Crossing Road, they will have to ask Northfield to do it.

Tom Geno mentioned that the Planning Board made it clear that Battis Crossing Road would not be accepted as a Town road.

The debate was stopped and a vote was taken on this article.

Article 21 was defeated.

Article 22.

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Sarge Goodhue said that a vote of thanks should be given to Skip Young for the time he has given the Town for so many years as treasurer.

Larry Carbonneau had a complaint about the dust on New Road. He said that it is sometimes unlivable in his yard with the dust. He asked that the selectmen do something about it. Bob Scarponi told him that he did not know how they could deal with the dust. We cannot possibly water all of the dirt roads in Town.

Jim Albert made a motion that the Planning Board and the selectmen take a serious look into strengthening the ordinances that relate to setbacks from the road and the amounts of lumber that can be taken from large tracts of land. Secondly, investigate the possibility of limiting the amount of lots that any one individual and/or corporation controls at any given time in Canterbury. The motion was seconded and passed.

Bob Scarponi said that the following article was left out of the warrant in error. "To see if the Town will vote to sell property taken by Tax Collector Deed by public auction or sealed bid after consultation with the Conservation Commission." Bob moved that this article be adopted. It was seconded. Oliver Fifield, the moderator, said that since this article was not included in the warrant, it could not be legally acted on. Rob Upton said that action could not be taken regarding this article without consulting with the Town Attorney. It was decided that this article be voted on, even if it may not be legal. All were in favor of the proposed article.

Peter Angwin, the Fire Chief, said that the Fire Department would like to express thanks to the Town for their support and they will be there when they are needed.

Mary Ellen Fifield was thanked for stepping in as selectman.

Harry Heath, Police Chief, wanted to thank his deputy, Skip Greemore, for all his help.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N. H.

General Government	1983	Spent to Date	1984	Increase (Decrease)
Town officer's salaries	21,926.00	20,891.56	24,970.00	3,044.00
Town officer's expenses	10,750.00	9,694.11	10,620.00	(130.00)
Election and registration	210.00	205.25	800.00	590.00
Town hall & other buildings	9,975.00	12,325.04	6,200.00	(3,775.00)
Protection of Persons and Property				
Police Dept.	20,610.00	21,708.55	25,350.00	(4,740.00)
Fire Dept. fixed expenses	3,063.00	3,063.00	2,603.00	(460.00)
Fire Dept. operating expenses	10,512.00	10,113.74	12,395.00	1,883.00
Fire Dept. forest fires	300.00	658.13	300.00	....
Clearing old trails	1.00	....	1.00	....
Insurance	18,780.00	17,325.74	19,731.00	951.00
Planning board	3,095.00	1,432.22	2,925.00	(170.00)
Central N. H. regional planning	....	....	....	....
N.H.M.A.	350.00	352.61	400.00	50.00
Dog costs & damages	300.00	213.00	300.00	....
Civil defense	1.00	....	1.00	....
Board of Adjustment	355.00	214.30	420.00	65.00
Health				
Hospital Appropriation	700.00	700.00	700.00	....
Vital statistics	50.00	39.63	50.00	....
Town dump	8,000.00	7,650.68	8,000.00	....
VNA	1,265.00	724.95	1,258.00	(7.00)
Penacook Rescue squad	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	....
Highways & Bridges				
Summer/winter labor/maint.	63,500.00	66,185.04	69,500.00	6,000.00
General expenses	22,460.00	17,442.92	23,860.00	1,400.00
Road tar	12,000.00	15,186.32	15,000.00	3,000.00
TRA — towns share	973.37	....	....	(973.37)
Street lighting	1,500.00	1,138.59	1,500.00	....
Libraries				
Elkin's Public Library	7,575.00	7,400.00	8,083.00	508.00
Public Welfare				
Town poor	500.00	306.81	500.00	....
Old Age Assistance	10,000.00	3,931.59	15,000.00	5,000.00
Patriotic Purposes				
Memorial day	200.00	211.12	250.00	50.00
Public Service Enterprises				
Cemeteries	5,000.00	3,810.56	4,000.00	(1,000.00)
Conservation Commission	302.00	57.00	263.00	(39.00)
Conservation Commission land fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	....
Historical Society	400.00	....	200.00	(200.00)
Unclassified				
Damages & legal expenses	5,000.00	4,017.00	5,000.00	....
Social security	7,500.00	6,886.13	7,500.00	....
Interest				
Tax anticipation notes	12,000.00	2,828.47	3,000.00	(9,000.00)
Long term notes	2,156.00	2,152.85	1,498.45	(657.55)

New Equipment	1983	Spent to Date	1984	Increase (Decrease)
Highway equipment capital reserve	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	....
Highway truck reserve	....	....	5,000.00	5,000.00
Police cruiser reserve	....	....	1,000.00	1,000.00
Principal Payment on Debt				
Incinerator	4,875.00	4,875.00	4,875.00	....
Fire truck	6,560.00	6,560.00	6,560.00	....
Totals	276,994.37	254,419.23	294,704.45	17,710.08

PROPOSED WARRANT ARTICLES NOT INCLUDED IN THE OPERATING BUDGET

WARRANT ARTICLES	1983	Spent to Date	1984
Fire Dept. (New Equipment)	....	....	5,102.00
Revaluation of property	8,000.00	8,000.00	12,000.00
C.A.P.	714.03	714.03	....
Medical Emergency Vehicle	....	....	3,500.00
Total Budget with Warrant Articles	285,708.40	263,133.26	315,306.45

REVENUE SHARING	Approp.	Spent In 1983	Amount Available	1984
1982/21 Insulate garage	7,500.00	6,100.00	....	
1982/22 Garage roof	7,000.00	3,000.00	....	
1982/24 Incinerator repair	5,000.00	711.05	3,373.24	
1983/ 7 Highway truck, plow wing	11,500.00	10,900.00	600.00	
1983/ 8 Police cruiser	6,500.00	6,500.00	....	
1983/ 9 Fire Dept. new equipment	2,683.00	2,683.00	....	
1983/10 Fire Dept. forestry pump	1,400.00	1,400.00	....	
1983/11 Library insulation	1,150.00	95.30	1,054.70	
1983/12 Painting & Maint. Town Bldgs.	1,500.00	320.33	1,179.67	
1984 Improvements to dump				3,370.00
1984 Revaluation				12,000.00
1984 Medical emergency vehicle				5,000.00
	44,233.00	31,709.68	6,207.61	20,370.00
County Tax		77,208.00		

REVENUE TO OFFSET 1984 BUDGET

SOURCE OF REVENUE

Local Taxes	**EST 1983**	**ACT 1983**	**EST 1984**	**CHANGE**
Resident taxes	9,060.00	8,022.00	9,000.00	(60.00)
Nat'l bank stock	20.00	5.00	5.00	(15.00)
Yield taxes	7,000.00	9,674.14	7,000.00	....
Int. on delq't taxes	6,000.00	4,977.49	6,000.00	....
Resident tax penalties	100.00	131.00	100.00	....
Inventory penalties	100.00	1,157.71	1,000.00	900.00
Current use change tax	5,000.00	2,700.00	5,000.00	....
From State				
Int. & div taxes	6,000.00	6,342.75	6,000.00	....
Rooms & meals tax	10,000.00	10,651.61	10,000.00	....
Railroad stock tax	....	388.88	....	....
Savings bank tax	4,000.00	5,894.38	5,000.00	1,000.00
Reimb. a/c forest lands	150.00	232.52	150.00	....
Reimb. a/c forest fires	75.00	62.05	75.00	....
Reimb. a/c road toll ref.	1,000.00	1,182.68	1,000.00	....
Reimb. a/c old age assist.	....	....	....	....
Class V highway maint.	....	....	....	....
Highway subsidy	9,000.00	27,071.79	32,022.27	14,939.26
Add'l highway subsidy	8,083.01	2,489.79		
TRA	6,489.14	....	....	....
Reimb. a/c bus. prof. tax	....	27,537.76	25,000.00	25,000.00
Reimb. a/c motor fuel fees	....	3,127.28	....	....
From Local Sources Except Taxes				
Motor vehicle fees	35,000.00	51,109.50	50,000.00	15,000.00
Dog licenses	1,000.00	794.43	700.00	(300.00)
Filing and other fees	75.00	147.00	75.00	....
Rent of town prop.	50.00	50.00	50.00	....
Fines & forfeits	....	....	....	....
Int. on deposits	1,000.00	2,515.11	1,000.00	....
Inc. from trust funds	3,000.00	4,900.00	2,500.00	(500.00)
Inc. from Depts:				
bldg & zoning	1,500.00	1,144.50	1,500.00	....
planning board	700.00	891.55	700.00	....
bd of adj	100.00	174.00	100.00	....
police	70.00	....	....	....
sale of recyclables	....	....	....	....
highway dept equip	400.00	155.00	400.00	....
fire dept equip sale	....	....	....	....
insurance reimb	....	....	....	....
Miscellaneous	230.00	1,032.07	300.00	70.00
Surplus	25,000.00	....	10,000.00	15,000.00
Subtotal of Revenue Available	140,202.15	169,672.05	174,677.27	
Property Tax for Operating Budget	136,792.22		140,629.18	
Total Operating Budget	276,994.37	263,133.34	315,306.45	
From Federal Sources:				
Revenue Sharing	24,733.00	31,709.68	20,370.00	

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Land	$ 4,258,971.
Buildings	9,102,745.
Public Utilities	534,969.
Mobile Homes & Trailers	49,850.
Total Gross Valuation	$13,946,535.
Less Elderly Exemptions (29)	294,640.
Net Valuation on which Tax is Computed	$13,651,895.
Loss Due to Vet's Exemptions (107)	5,350.
Loss Due to Total Disability (1)	700.

Town Tax Rate	$11.80
County Tax Rate	5.52
School Tax Rate	44.86
Per $1000. Valuation	$62.18

RE: Current Use

Values before application of Current Use	$6,960,390.
Values after application of Current Use	4,258,971.
Assessed Value Lost	$2,701,419.
Number of property owners who were granted Current Use in 1983	215
Number of acres granted for Current Use Exemption	15,484.103

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

December 31, 1983

	Approp.	Expended	Under (Over)
Town officer's salaries	21,926.00	20,891.56	1,034.44
Town officer's expenses	10,750.00	9,694.11	1,055.89
Town hall & other buildings	9,975.00	12,325.04	(2,350.04)
Election and registration	210.00	205.25	4.75
Police Dept.	20,610.00	21,708.55	(1,098.55)
Fire Dept. fixed expenses	3,063.00	3,063.00	....
Fire Dept. operating expenses	10,512.00	10,113.74	398.26
Fire Dept. forest fires	300.00	658.13	(358.13)
Clearing old trails	1.00	....	1.00
Insurance	18,780.00	17,325.74	1,454.26
Planning Board	3,095.00	1,432.22	1,662.78
N.H.M.A.	350.00	352.61	(2.61)
Dog costs & damages	300.00	213.00	87.00
Civil defense	1.00	....	1.00
Board of Adjustment	355.00	214.30	140.70
Hospital	700.00	700.00	....
Town Dump	8,000.00	7,650.68	349.32
Vital statistics	50.00	39.63	10.37
VNA	1,265.00	724.95	540.05
Penacook rescue squad	1,250.00	1,250.00	....
Highway Dept.			
Maintenance	63,500.00	66,185.04	(2,685.04)
General expenses	22,460.00	17,442.92	5,017.08
Road tar	12,000.00	15,186.32	(3,186.32)
TRA	973.37	....	973.37
Street lighting	1,500.00	1,138.59	361.41
Elkins Public Library	7,575.00	7,400.00	175.00
Town poor	500.00	306.81	193.19
Old Age Assistance	10,000.00	3,931.59	6,068.41
Memorial day	200.00	211.12	(11.12)
Cemeteries	5,000.00	3,810.86	1,189.14
Conservation Commission	302.00	57.00	245.00
Conservation Commission Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	....
Historical Society	400.00	....	400.00
Recreation Commission	500.00	367.02	132.98
Damages & legal expenses	5,000.00	4,017.00	983.00
Social security	7,500.00	6,886.13	613.87
Interest:			
Tax anticipation notes	12,000.00	2,828.47	9,171.53
Long term notes	2,156.00	2,152.85	3.15
Capital reserve			
Highway equipment	1,500.00	1,500.00	....
Principal Payment:			
Incinerator	4,875.00	4,875.00	....
Fire truck	6,560.00	6,560.00	....
Totals without Warrant Arts.	276,994.37	254,419.23	22,575.16

Other Expenditures

WA/14 Revaluation of prop.	8,000.00	8,000.00
WA/20 CAP	714.03	714.03
School District		598,849.10
County Tax		77,208.00
Taxes bought by town		59,390.58
Refunds due to overpayments		3,130.10
Repayment of tax anticipation notes		125,000.00
Yield tax		6,307.33
Total paid by Selectmen		1,133,018.37

Revenue Sharing	**Approp.**	**Spent in 1983**	**Amount Available**
1982/21 Insulate garage	7,500.00	6,100.00	....
1982/22 Garage roof	7,000.00	3,000.00	....
1982/24 Incinerator repair	5,000.00	711.05	3,373.24
1983/ 7 Highway truck, plow wing	11,500.00	10,900.00	600.00
1983/ 8 Police cruiser	6,500.00	6,500.00	....
1983/ 9 Fire Dept. new equipment	2,683.00	2,683.00	....
1983/10 Fire Dept. forestry pump	1,400.00	1,400.00	....
1983/11 Library Insulation	1,150.00	95.30	1,054.70
1983/12 Paint & maint. of town bldgs.	1,500.00	320.33	1,179.67
	44,233.00	31,709.68	6,207.61

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, land and buildings	$ 101,000.
Furniture and Equipment	500.
Library, land and building	83,000.
Furniture and Equipment	20,000.
Police Department Building	21,000.
Contents	500.
Garage and Fire Station	161,000.
Contents	4,000.
Historical Building	22,000.
Contents	10,000.
School, Building, Land and Equipment	701,800.
Sam Lake House and Buildings	50,000.
Contents	5,000.
Town Dump, Land & Improvements	55,000.
Incinerator	22,500.
Blacksmith Lot	100.
Industrial Site	17,950.
Land W/S Route #93 on Northfield Town Line	5,500.
Land off Whitney Hill Road on Loudon Town Line	2,100.
Land on E/S Route 3B — purchased by Conservation Commission	850.
Land on Abberton Road (Gift)	4,100.
Land on Kimball Pond (Gift)	12,475.
Land acquired through Tax Deeds:	
Land on Briar Bush Road	4,600.
Land on W/S Briar Bush Road	17,350.
Land on Loudon Town Line	2,850.
Land on Northfield Town Line	5,500.
Land on W/S Palletboro Road	1,200.
Land on Spendor Meadow	10,550.
Land off Abbott Road	3,700.
Lot #1, Shore of New Pond	3,000.
Lot #232 & 233, N/S Canterbury Shore Drive	2,650.

Lot #311, E/S Shakee Road	1,750.
Lot #84, Shore of Lyford Pond	2,650.
Lot #168, Blue Boar Lane	1,700.
Lot #46, L/MH Blue Boar Lane	3,050.
Lot #318, Blue Boar Lane	1,500.
Lot #148, Robin Shore Drive	1,400.
Lot #173 & 174, Robin Shore Drive	2,850.
Lot #169 & 170, Robin Shore Drive	2,200.
Lot #152, Robin Shore Drive	500.
Lot #321, Blue Boar Lane	1,200.
Lot #264 & 288, Nottingham Road	2,200.
Lot #144, Robin Shore Drive	1,800.
Lot #246, L/B Nottingham Road	6,600.
Lot #141, Friar Tuck Road	1,850.
Lot #290, Old Gilmanton Road	900.
Land on N/S Ayers Road	500.
Building only W/S Intervale Road	2,100.
Land on Rocky Pond	2,050.
Land on W/S Old Tilton Road	1,900.
	$1,390,475.

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
Ended December 31, 1983

Assets

Cash in hands of treasurer		161,754.41
Cash in hands of selectmen		3,718.35
Accounts due the town		
New equipment reserve	4,104.98	
Police cruiser	146.60	
Conservation Comm. fund	14,091.91	
Reassessment reserve	16,413.69	
		34,757.18
Uncollected taxes:		
Levy of 1983	168,352.05	
		168,352.05
Unredeemd taxes:		
Levy of 1982	33,642.83	
Levy of 1981	12,703.23	
Levy of 1980	7,430.92	
Levy of 1979 & Previous years	23,163.58	
		76,940.56
Total Assets		445,522.55

Liabilities

Unexpended Revenue Sharing funds	6,207.61
Yield tax deposits (in escrow)	2,695.20
Due to school district	317,190.00
Capital Reserve Funds	34,757.18
Total Liabilities	360,849.99
Excess of assets over liabilities	84,672.56

TOWN OF CANTERBURY

LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS

STATEMENT OF DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

December 31, 1983

	Incinerator Notes		Fire Truck Notes			
	5.75%		5.75%			
Amt. of Original Issue	$48,750.00		$32,800.00			
Date of Original Issue	4-20-77		3-6-79			
Principal Payment Date	April 20		March 6			
Interest Payment Date	April 20		March 6			
Payable At	Concord Nat'l Bank		Concord Nat'l Bank			
Maturities					**TOTAL**	
Fiscal Yr. Ending	**Principal**	**Interest**	**Principal**	**Interest**	**Principal**	**Interest**
December 31, 1984	4,875.00	1,121.25	6,560.00	377.20	11,435.00	1,498.45
December 31, 1985	4,875.00	840.94			4,875.00	840.94
December 31, 1986	4,875.00	560.63			4,875.00	560.63
December 31, 1987	4,875.00	280.31			4,875.00	280.31
Totals	$19,500.00	$2,803.13	$6,560.00	$377.20	$26,060.00	$3,180.33

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK — 1983

Debits

Auto Permits Collected 1983	$51,109.50
Dog Licenses Collected 1983	794.43
Marriage Licenses Collected 1983	145.00
Filing Fees Collected 1983	2.00
	$52,050.93

Credits

Remitted to Treasurer:	
Auto Permits Collected 1983	$51,109.50
Dog Licenses Collected 1983	794.43
Marriage Licenses Collected 1983	145.00
Filing Fees Collected 1983	2.00
	$52,050.93

TREASURER'S REPORT — 1983

Tax Collector	$ 944,717.90
Town Clerk	52,050.93
NH Highway Subsidy	27,071.79
NH Additional Highway Subsidy	2,489.79
NH Reimbursement State & Federal Lands	232.52
NH Gas Tax Refund	1,182.68
NH Business Profits Tax	5,099.31
NH Revenue Sharing	45,327.19
NH Motor Vehicle Fees	3,127.28
NH Railroad Tax	388.88
Board of Adjustment Hearings	174.00
Current Use Fees	33.00
Building Permits & Renewals	1,000.00
Pistol Permits	40.00
Intent to Cut Bonds	2,695.20
Building & Zoning Ordinances	144.50
Planning Board Fees	43.50
Sub Division Fees	848.05
Rent of Town Hall	50.00
Interest on Investments	2,515.11
Use of Copier	43.74
Appropriation Refunds	480.57
Timber Tax	2,504.09
Unclaimed Checks	8.26
NSF Check Charges	10.00
Reimbursement for Repairs	90.00
Taxes on Deeded Property	226.50
Use of Equipment	155.00
Forest Fire Reimbursement	62.05
Sam Lake Trust Fund	4,900.00
Payment in lieu of taxes	100.00
Tax Anticipation Notes	125,000.00
Total Receipts 1983	$1,222,811.84
Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1983	71,960.94
Total Funds Available	$1,294,772.78
Less Selectmen's Orders Paid	1,133,018.37
Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1983	$ 161,754.41

REVENUE SHARING ACCOUNT

Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1983	$21,411.00
Receipts:	
Interest	883.44
U. S. Treasury Allotment	15,633.17
Total Rev. Sharing Funds Available	37,927.61
Less Selectmen's Orders Paid	28,709.68
Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1983	$ 9,217.93

Appropriations	Approp.	Expenditures	Balance
1982 Insulation — Town Garage, Art. No. 21 ..	$ 7,500.00	$ 7,500.00	$ 0.00
1982 Incinerator, Art. No. 24	5,000.00	1,626.76	3,373.24
1983 Highway Truck, Art. No. 7.....	11,500.00	10,900.00	600.00
1983 Police Cruiser, Art. No. 8	6,500.00	6,500.00	0.00
1983 Fire Equipment, Art. No. 9.....	4,509.76	4,509.76	0.00
1983 Fire Dept. Forestry Pump, Art. No. 10 ...	1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00
1983 Insulate Elkins Library, Art. No. 11	1,150.00	95.30	1,054.70
1983 Maintenance Town Buildings, Art. No. 12	1,500.00	320.33	1,179.67
Totals	$37,233.00	$31,025.39*	$6,207.61

* $2,315.71 was expended in 1982 on Art. No. 21 & Art. No. 24.
Total 1983 expenditures $28,709.68.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND

N.H. Savings Bank Insured	
Money Market Account	$14,091.91

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

Progress is often measured in small increments which when taken together reflect significant accomplishments. We can look back on 1983 with a feeling that much has been done in many different areas. Most noticeably, the Town Hall, Sam Lake House, Police Station and the Town Garage received a new coat of paint. Granite curbing was installed around the Green. Delivery was taken on a new Highway truck and Police cruiser. A new wood-fired boiler was installed in the Town Garage which will heat both the Fire Station and Highway Department areas and pay for itself in two years.

A plan of action has been formulated to deal with problems at the dump which includes our membership in the New Hampshire Resource Recovery Association and representation in the Solid Waste Resource Recovery Project.

The institution of twice-a-year tax billing resulted in a $12,000 savings in tax anticipation interest costs in 1983.

Preparations for revaluation of the town through the State Department of Revenue Administration have moved ahead significantly, with the ongoing effort to produce a tax map being a vital part of the project.

Representation on the Shaker Regional School Building Committee has been another activity that we have been involved with.

Looking back over the last year, we recognize that the progress we have made could not have been accomplished without the spirit of cooperation and help we received from all departments. Thank you.

Robert Scarponi, Chairman
Gordon Jackson
John Pratt

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1983 (June 30, 1984)

DEBITS

		Levies Of:
Uncollected Taxes — Beginning of Fiscal Year	1983	1982
Property Taxes		$165,462.53
Resident Taxes		1,640.00
Land Use Change Taxes		2,550.00
Yield Taxes		5,788.21
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	$844,054.18	
Resident Taxes	8,660.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	5.00	
Land Use Change Taxes	750.00	
Yield Taxes	11,255.43	
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	586.63	1,131.19
Resident Taxes	260.00	
Overpayments:		
a/c Property Taxes	195.54	98.63
a/c Resident Taxes	52.00	
Interest Collected on Delinquent		
Property Taxes	1,252.21	3,725.28
Penalties Collected on		
Resident Taxes	32.00	99.00
TOTAL DEBITS	$867,102.99	$180,494.84

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year		
Property Taxes	$675,648.58	$166,269.77
Resident Taxes	7,072.00	950.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	5.00	
Yield Taxes	7,674.14	2,000.00
Land Use Change Taxes	750.00	1,950.00
Interest Collected During Year	1,252.21	3,725.28
Penalties on Resident Taxes	32.00	99.00
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	835.72	372.58
Resident Taxes	.	100.00

Uncollected Taxes — End of Fiscal Year: (As Per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes	168,352.05	
Resident Taxes	1,900.00	690.00
Current Use		550.00
Yield Taxes	3,581.29	3,788.21
TOTAL CREDITS	$867,102.99	$180,494.84

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1983 (June 30, 1984)

DEBITS

	Tax Sales on Account of Levies Of:			
	1982	**1981**	**1980**	**Previous Years**
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes — Beginning Fiscal Year *	$	$48,443.09	$17,918.31	$25,686.53
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year **	59,390.58	....	....	....
Interest Collected After Sale	1,130.04	4,197.16	1,497.09	487.18
Redemption Costs	381.90	409.50	88.50	17.70
TOTAL DEBITS	$60,902.52	$53,049.75	$19,503.90	$26,191.41

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer During Year				
Redemptions	$25,410.85	$34,050.58	$8,489.23	$1,130.19
Interest & Costs After Sale	1,511.94	4,606.66	1,585.59	504.88
Abatements During Year	336.90	1,689.28	1,998.16	....
Deeded To Town During Year	....	....	....	1,392.76
Unredeemed Taxes — End of Fiscal Year	33,642.83	12,703.23	7,430.92	23,163.58
Unremitted Cash	....	....	....	....
TOTAL CREDITS	$60,902.52	$53,049.75	$19,503.90	$26,191.41

* These sums represent the total of Unredeemed Taxes, as of January 1, 1983 from Tax Sales held in **Previous** Fiscal Years.

** Amount of Tax Sale(s) held during current fiscal year, including total amount of taxes, interest and costs to date of sale(s).

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Canterbury on December 31, 1983

Creation Date	Name & Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	PRINCIPAL				INCOME			
			Bal. at Beginning of Year	New Funds Created	Withdrawals	Bal. at end of Year	Bal. at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expend. During Year	Bal. End Year
1873	Benjamin Whidden, Cong. Church	NH Savings Bank	200.00			200.00	38.13	19.58	57.71	0.00
1918	Lucia Maria Elkins, Library Books	NH Savings Bank	4,000.00			4,000.00	438.30	397.16	835.46	0.00
	Library Repairs	NH Savings Bank	1,000.00			1,000.00	109.57	99.29	208.86	0.00
1960	Frank Drew, Library Unrestricted	NH Savings Bank	3,000.00			3,000.00	328.72	297.87	626.59	0.00
1918	Lucia Maria Elkins, Sick and Worthy Poor	NH Savings Bank	6,987.00			6,987.00	2,337.60	1,358.70	1,175.68	2,520.62
1955	John Kezer, School District	NH Savings Bank	1,902.10			1,902.10	540.42	293.56	833.98	0.00
		Railroad Shares	633.60			633.60	180.02	27.00	207.02	0.00
1971	Thompson Memorial, 4-H Scholarship	NH Savings Bank	500.00			500.00	184.01	58.14	52.50	189.65
1968	Canterbury Youth Fund Youth Activity	NH Savings Bank	751.00			751.00	332.68	92.86	0.00	425.54
1960	Capital Reserve, New Equipment	NH Savings Bank	8,500.00	1,500.00	7,664.23	2,335.77	1,216.58	552.63	0.00	1,769.21
	Truck Reserve	NH Savings Bank	10,000.00		10,000.00	0.00	262.56	573.21	835.77	0.00
1965	Benevolent Fund, Glasses/Dental Care	NH Savings Bank	700.00			700.00	359.52	89.33	0.00	448.85
1909	Perpetual Care, Cemetery Lots	NH Savings Bank	14,375.00	700.00		15,075.00	1,893.00	1,514.45	300.00	3,107.45
1976	Cemetery Improvement Cemetery Improvement	NH Savings Bank	2,675.00	300.00		2,975.00	956.25	284.39	351.06	889.58
1965	Arthur & Mary Mudge, Library	NH Savings Bank	424.00			424.00	46.46	42.10	88.56	0.00
1981	Cruiser Capital Reserve, Police Cruiser	NH Savings Bank	2,000.00		1,980.00	20.00	52.51	74.09	0.00	126.60
1982	Capital Reserve, Revaluation	NH Savings Bank	8,000.00	8,000.00		16,000.00	0.00	413.69	0.00	413.69
		TOTALS	65,647.70	10,500.00	19,644.23	56,503.47	9,276.33	6,188.05	5,573.19	9,891.19

REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY FUND

In 1983, Trustees of the Fund authorized payment of educational loans in the amount of $6,346.08 and emergency loans in the amount of $150.00. The Fund pro-rata share of the income from the Canterbury Fair was $2,500.00.

Application for loans or grants may be made to the Chairperson of the Loan & Grant Committee, Mrs. Nancy Lilly. (Application for grants will be accepted during the month of October).

Co-Chair persons for the 1984 Canterbury Fair are Bill & Jackie Mears.

Wayne A. Mann, Chairperson
Canterbury Fund Trustees

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets		
Cash, Savings	$ 153.99	
Bank Certificates	15,701.07	
MM Account	4,751.38	
Stock (Book)	14,576.78	$35,183.22
Liabilities		
Education Loan	636.92	636.92
Value of Fund		$34,546.30

INCOME AND EXPENSE STATEMENT

Cash Account	Income	Expense	Gain (Loss)
Loans		6,496.08	(6,496.08)
Rental		10.00	(10.00)
Filing Fee		25.00	(25.00)
Fair Income	2,500.00		2,500.00
Interest	314.86		314.86
Sub-Total	2,814.86	6,531.08	(3,716.22)

Investment Account			
Dividends and Capital Gains	989.82		989.82
Reinvestment		989.82	(989.82)
Int. (Cert. of Dep.)	2,410.59		2,410.59
Sub-Total	3,400.41	989.82	2,410.59
Total	$6,215.27	$7,520.90	($1,305.63)

SAM LAKE TRUST ACCOUNT

Principal Balance 12/31/82	$58,008.26
Total Receipts during 1982	
Interest & Dividends	5,863.21
Total Disbursements during 1982	
To Beneficiaries	
Canterbury Sunday School	25.00
Town of Canterbury	
Interest & Principal on note	5,254.44
Interest Paid to Town	
Expenses of Administration	104.70
Compensation for Trustee	469.07
Total payment from income	$ 5,853.21

REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY — 1983

This past year the Canterbury Historical Society continued its tradition of providing quality programs to its members as well as service to the community. The task of cataloging the many and varied articles of our past contained in the Elizabeth Houser Museum continues to elude us but we approach the new year determined to make substantial progress.

A sample of the types of programming presented include:

— a history of logging and the lumbering industry involving a photographic collection of the Brown Paper Co. of Lincoln and Berlin

— a film of the White Mountains

— a presentation about the early days of firefighting and the restoration of antique fire engines

In addition, the Historical Society, in a cooperative effort with the Conservation Commission, held a Sunday walkabout along the Merrimack River in the Spring.

During the Canterbury Fair, the Houser Museum was open to those interested. Society members continue to be gratified by the positive response of our visitors who share enjoyment in Canterbury's past.

We were pleased to be able to again publish another calendar featuring Luther Cody's early glass negatives. This project was under the care of Mason Newick who deserves many thanks for another outstanding catalog.

Our Memorial Day program, while dampened by rain, was still well attended and enthusiastically supported. The Society remembered past members by planting lilacs at the Museum in their honor.

As we look forward, we do so with enthusiasm. Our goals are to continue and improve upon our program, to increase membership and community participation, and to make progress in cataloging.

Finally, as her term as President comes to an end, the Canterbury Historical Society acknowledges the effort and leadership provided by Nola Stokes. Her interest and enthusiasm are appreciated by all who have had the pleasure of working with her.

Sabin D. Guertin,
President
Robert Dudley,
Vice President
Marjorie Bruner,
Recording Secretary
Winola Stokes,
Corresponding Secretary
Sewall Smith,
Treasurer

ELKINS PUBLIC LIBRARY
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

This past year has been a positive one for the Elkins Library. Repairs continue to benefit the library's physical structure, while library programs aim toward fulfilling the goal of a town library as an educational resource for the entire community.

In July an Audubon workshop for children was conducted at the Kimball Pond Conservation Area. Two naturalists from the New Hampshire Audubon Society met with town children for a two hour tour of the site, the purpose being to increase the children's awareness of their natural surroundings. After breaking up into age groups, they set out to experience color, texture and sound, to notice life signs, to sharpen their observation skills.

Our major program series was given by Dr. Florence Petherick. Entitled "Art and Ideas," the series featured Dr. Petherick's lectures on specific periods in art history and what these artistic efforts reveal about the people and the time which produced them. Slides provided the focal point for these lectures and discussions. The group was lively and the series well attended. The trustees are grateful to Dr. Petherick and plan to accept her offer for another series sometime this year.

Finally, despite the snow, the library Christmas Open House provided a warm refuge to those who braved the winter storm to attend. The plentiful snow and the elfin good humor of Frank Tupper made Santa's trip to Canterbury most enjoyable. Many thanks to Santa whose enthusiastic interest in the Christmas lists of the town's children made the day both successful and memorable. The building was aglow with holiday warmth and activity, cookies, crafts, good will, and especially the beautiful decorations made for our celebration by the primary students of Canterbury Children's Center. Our sincere thanks to Judy Egan and the children for their work, and to all those who helped by providing goodies and/or goodwill by attending.

Of course, no report would be complete without discussing the library building. Repairs continue. In early spring the porch roof and library sign were restored by Dale Caswell. This completes work to the entryway and greatly improves the appearance of the building. Dale has also been preparing the eave area for the insulation to be installed in the peak this year. The trustees would like to thank Dale for his continued interest in the library and his careful work to preserve and improve the building.

The interior of the building has received a much needed painting, thanks to Bill Stokes. Our non-removable shelves and stacks of boxed books made the work time-consuming, but the result was well worth the effort. Many volunteers appeared at all hours to help crate and move books, store them in some logical manner, and then reshelve them. Although the task was a major one we managed admirably. Our thanks again to all those who assisted.

Our chairs and tables have also been repaired and are safe to sit on again!

The one difficulty concerning the building was the well, which went dry and has experienced some continued problems since that time. We expect to have the well repaired soon and apologize to those who have been inconvenienced by our lack of bathroom facilities.

Also new this year was the Trustees' attempt to make costly roof repairs less overwhelming to the town budget and the resident's taxes. A "Slate Drive" was launched, a $5 donation being requested from those who wished to participate. The response was wonderful and we thank all those who have generously contributed.

One other matter which must be mentioned concerns library funds gained from sources other than town taxes. Over the years various gifts, donations, inheritances, and insurance payments have come into the library treasury. Also certain monies, such as excess book fair money or money collected in fines, accrue. These monies fall under the steward-

ship of the trustees. In the past these sums were very small, but over the last two years we have gained a significant amount of money. This year our funds grew due to excess returned trust fund money and the slate drive. The trustees plan to use this money for the benefit of the library and the town. In 1984 we plan to purchase a much needed set of encyclopedias, as well as slate for roof repairs. The encyclopedias alone will cost more than $800. If such a request were put into our budget it would encumber a large share of our book budget or would mean a major increase to our total budget request. These discretionary funds can help provide much needed materials for the library without placing a strain on our budget and town taxes. These funds are often slated for specific purposes, i.e. slate drive money for roof slate, book fine money for the purchase of new books, insurance money for the purchase or repair of damaged materials. The trustees will provide information on these funds and their use in the treasurer's report.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Sanborn, Chairman
Judy Egan, Secretary
Mason Newick, Treasurer
Lois Johanson
Sarah Kinter
Brian Kilrain

LIBRARY REPORT

Books Purchased	211
Books Donated	247
Magazines Subscribed To	8

Circulation for 1983

	State	Elkins	Books Added
Adult Fiction	50	1,954	84
Adult Non-fiction	31	661	34
Youth Fiction	75	3,043	72
Youth Non-fiction	19	666	21
Magazines	—	135	—
Totals	175	6,459	211

Total circulation — 6,634

The circulation at Elkins Library declined somewhat this year; this was in large part due to the discontinuing of the Bookmobile by the N.H. State Library. This was a service which was greatly appreciated by Elkins' patrons. Elkins did receive as a gift from the State library over 200 books, mostly children's classics.

The library was a busy place again this year with a lecture series on art, school classes visiting bi-weekly, and many new borrowers. The book fair was successful thanks to the many donations of books and time from library patrons. The Christmas open house was a great success; the weather even cooperated so that Santa had plenty of snow to arrive in. Our new Saturday hours have proved to be popular. The librarians would like to take this opportunity to invite everyone to use the library; if you haven't been in lately, you may be surprised at our great selections.

Claudia Leidinger
Librarian

Julie Brillhart
Assistant Librarian

ELKINS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Treasurer's Report — 1983

Receipts:		
Balance on hand 1/1/83	0	
Town of Canterbury Approp.	$7,400.00	
Trust Funds: Books	436.61	
Repairs	109.15	
Drew	373.80	
Canterbury Fair Book Sale	522.84	
Miscellaneous	472.36	
		$9,314.76
Disbursements:		
Salaries		
Claudia Liedinger, Librarian	$1,621.07	
Julie Brillhart, Assistant	747.39	
Kevin Landry	31.50	
Social Sec. (employee share)	171.53	
		$2,571.49
Books and Magazines:		
National Geographic	$ 27.85	
Gibson's Bookstore	1,042.16	
Apple Tree Bookstore	468.14	
Shaker Village	10.00	
Sesame Street	8.95	
Consumer Report	14.00	
University Bookstore	126.84	
Electric Co.	8.95	
Cricket Magazine	32.00	
N. H. Audubon	40.00	
Nat'l Wildlife/Ranger Rick	10.50	
Publishers Telemarketing	69.35	
Penny Power	9.95	
Franklin Watts	29.25	
Publishers Telemarketing	22.71	
Regent Book Co.	15.02	
WWH Press	14.20	

Double Day Co.	8.43	
Nat'l Literary Distributors	59.38	
		$2,017.68
Social Sec. (employer share)	$ 171.53	
New England Telephone	224.07	
Concord Electric Co.	454.21	
Ferns Energy Centers	882.94	
		$1,732.75
Library Supplies:		
Demco	$ 59.59	
Pen and Inc. (Stamps)	29.74	
Alberta Messer	28.00	
Claudia Liedinger	25.95	
Postmaster, Canterbury	11.00	
Canterbury Country Store	28.76	
Cash (Stamps)	20.00	
		$ 203.04
Repairs:		
Kevin Landry	$ 6.25	
William Stokes	382.00	
Mason Newick	31.00	
		$ 419.25
Miscellaneous:		
N. H. Historical Society (Membership)	$ 20.00	
Claudia Liedinger	12.00	
N. H. Librarians Trustee Assoc. (Membership)	24.00	
Elkins Library Trustee Holding Account	784.76	
Returned to the Town of Canterbury	1,529.79	
		$2,370.55
Total Disbursements		$9,314.76
Balance on hand		-0-

Mason Newick, Treasurer

Elkins Library Trustee Holding Account:

The purpose of this account is to set aside unspent discretionary monies and hold them for special projects. The funds do not accrue from tax monies. The funding sources are fine monies, fund drives (such as the slate roof project), excess fair monies, gifts or unspent trust fund monies (which the selectmen have determined must be spent by the library in order to fulfill the intent of the trust and are not returned to general town funds). In the coming year the Trustees intend to use some of these funds to purchase much needed slate for the roof and new encyclopedias for the reference collection.

Balance of funds December 31, 1982	
Monies from gifts and fines	$ 756.49
Monies returned from Trust Funds	400.00
Balance of funds December 31, 1983	
Fines, gifts, and slate drive	472.36
Excess fair money	222.84
Trust Fund money	89.56
	$1,941.25

1983 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

For the latter part of 1983 due to citizen complaints, we have tried to maintain a fairly regular schedule of daytime patrols. This, of course, will cost the Town more money, which everyone agrees seems to be in short supply.

I believe that so far this action has lessened our incidents of daytime burglaries — through these patrols, we gain a lot of information as to who is traveling our roads. Much of this information is gained not by stopping vehicles, but by merely observing them. If a vehicle seems suspicious, we take the registration number, run it through the State Police computer, and in less than a minute, we know who the vehicle is registered to, whether the vehicle is stolen or wanted by any other Police Department nationwide. Also, whenever the cruiser is on the road, the officer is listening to the police scanner and radio and is thereby immediately informed of any police activity in any surrounding town whether it is Belknap County, Merrimack County, or State Police, thus making it that much more difficult for anyone to commit a crime in one town and escape unnoticed.

I believe we have a low crime rate in Canterbury considering the acreage the town encompasses. But I also believe that with each resident's support, we can make this rate even lower. If a resident has any questions about how our communications system works, such as what the police do with any tips or information that is supplied to us, I will personally be glad to take the time with each individual to explain the best I can how this works.

I believe that if the residents of Canterbury and the Police Department work together, we can make 1984 a safer year and have an even lower crime rate than we had in 1983.

Harry Heath, Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

This year your volunteer fire department has been working on increasing the access to water holes which cuts down on the time it takes to get water on a fire, and in many cases increase the volume of water to a fire. We have been lucky not to have had any people or homes lost to fire this year which shows that Canterbury residence are very fire conscious. We also have been working very hard trying to raise funds for our rescue vehicle to improve our emergency medical service to the townspeople. All fire personnel responded to medical emergency calls when available, but we have 8 fully trained emergency medical technician with E O A and mast trouses certification to perform advanced medical aid thats needed. These devoted people spend countless hours to keep certified so they can continue to provide the townspeople with this service. What keeps these firemen going and their spirits high, is you the townspeople of Canterbury who support us in our fight against disaster.

Your volunteer fire department responded to over 135 calls this year with 6 mutual aid calls, 32 medical aid calls, 1 smoke in building, 11 wires arching, 14 chimney fires, 3 car fires, 1 barn fire, 5 service calls, 15 auto accidents, 6 brush fires, 3 stove fires, 2 smoke investigation, 3 furnace problems, 2 alarms soundings, 1 skidder fire, 4 dump fires, and 3 non-permit fires.

Thank you for supporting
your Volunteer Fire Department

Chief Peter Angwin

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Once again, our cooperative town and state forest fire prevention and control program leads the nation in least acres burned per forest fire. Less than one-half acre per fire is the statewide average.

At the town level, your Forest Fire Warden is responsible for the prevention and control of all grass and woods fires when the ground is not snow covered.

Forest fire prevention is achieved at the town level by issuing a written permit for every fire that is to be kindled on the ground out-of-doors when the ground is not covered with snow. Each person wishing to have an outside fire must obtain this written permit from the town Fire Warden before kindling the fire. Any person that does not obtain a fire permit, when one is required, is violating our forest fire permit law and is subject to a court appearance and could be fined up to $1,000 and receive a jail sentence of up to one year.

No fire permit will be issued between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. unless it is raining. The reason for this is twofold: the fire danger increases steadily between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., then subsides to a safe level between 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. This happens because the sun dries out the fine fuels that are easily ignited and dries the air which permits rapid fire spread. Also, during this part of the day, fire fighters are not readily available in most communities so an escaped fire could burn longer and cause greater damage before being suppressed.

Your cooperation in burning only when conditions are safe is greatly appreciated.

As Smokey says, "Remember, Only You Can Prevent Forest Fires!"

1983 Statistics

	State	District	City/Town
No. of Fires	779	76	6
No. of Acres	348	36½	1½

REPORT OF THE CANTERBURY PLANNING BOARD

The year 1983 was characterized by increased subdivision activity. The net result of nine minor and four major subdivisions was the creation of fifty-six new lots. The thirty-two lot subdivision proposed on Southwest and Center roads became, through a process of intense scrutiny, a twenty-three lot subdivision to be phased in six lots per year in an effort to minimally impact community services. The broadened awareness of the Boards powers, policies and prerogatives gleaned as a result of this subdivision has effected all subsequent subdivision consideration and can only stand to benefit future community planning.

A byproduct of larger and more complex subdivision activity has been the desire of the Board to make on-site visitations. Such walking of proposed subdivisions by Board members serves to create personal understandings of the location, topography, soil type, drainage, etc. of the land in question. The significant learnings derived to date have helped insure that the Planning Board only encourage those subdivisions that respect the character and unique features of Canterbury land.

Few and minor zoning changes will be necessary to bring Canterbury into compliance with the States recent Recodification (changes in zoning and planning statutes). The States changes emphasize and the N.H. Supreme court affirms that: "Comprehensive Planning with a solid scientific, statistical basis is the key element in land use regulation in New Hampshire. That Canterbury's — Plan for Tomorrow — so clearly reflects the recently legislated prerequisites for a Master Plan, is a tribute to the foresight of those connected with its development.

The Planning Board was represented by four members at each of the four Municipal Law Lectures sponsored by the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission.

The presentations proved very informative; providing an effective context for understanding recently changed legislation and an excellent overview of N.H. Supreme Court decisions regarding zoning and planning.

This Board is pleased by, and appreciative of, the increased public involvement at meetings and Public Hearings. Sadly, it seemed initially prompted by concerns for overcutting of Hackleboro Road property; however, it demonstrated an initiative and interest worth maintaining. We welcome future public involvement.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Egan, Chairman
K. Bogle
K. Bouchard
J. Carter
R. Corriveau
G. Jackson
R. Wardell

Alternates:
J. Ashworth
J. Leidinger

TOWN OF CANTERBURY
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
1983 REVIEW

Case Number	Applicant	Applied For	Decision
1983-1	William & Judith Egan	Spec. Ex. for Home Occup.	Granted
1983-2	Pamela Jackson	Spec. Ex. for Home Occup.	Granted
1983-3	Elizabeth Kroll	Spec. Ex. for Recreational	Granted
1983-4	Gold Star Sod Farm	Administrative Appeal	Granted
1983-5	Charles & Charlotte Dubois	Spec. Ex. for Home Occup.	Granted
1983-6	Lenore Howe & Brian Brasky	Spec. Ex. for Home Occup.	Granted

BUILDING CODES BOARD OF APPEAL
1983 REVIEW

1983-1B	Horizon's Edge School	Use of treated poles - foundation	Denied
1983-2B	Thomas Cochrane	Slab foundation accessory building	Granted

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The highlight of this years Conservation Commission activity was the October dedication of the Kimball Pond Conservation Area to Wilber Thompson. Wilbers conservation leadership and service to the State and our community has been an example and an inspiration to all. The conservation area sign was crafted by Colin Heath and erected by Bob Fife and friends. The Commission wishes to thank them for their generous contribution of time and material.

The Commission sponsored a spring "Walk-About" to the Kadockadee Farm area and "Much-I-Do" bank on the Merrimack River. A representative of the Merrimack River Watershed Council discussed their current study of the Merrimack River corridor in New Hampshire. Discussions are also in progress with the Fish and Game Department concerning their project to establish public access to the Merrimack River between Boscawen and Franklin.

A fall "Walk-About" visited the Kimball Pond and Peverly Falls areas.

The Conservation Commission, with financial assistance from the Thompson Memorial Fund sponsored one student at Youth Conservation Camp run by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forest. Individuals interested in attending camp in June, 1984 should contact a commission member for more details.

Respectfully submitted,

Canterbury Conservation Commission

Dale Caswell — Cleve Kapala
Bob Fife — Nola Stokes
Mary Ellen Fifield — Paul Sanborn
Jim Carter, Chairman

REPORT FROM CANTERBURY BANDSTAND COMMITTEE 1983

By late fall, the Canterbury Bandstand Committee members and volunteers had erected the newest addition to the Town Center's landscape, leaving finishing touches to be completed in 1984. Tentative plans for a dedication sometime on or near Memorial Day were made just prior to the new year.

Utilizing contributions from numerous sources (see Financial Report below) and primarily volunteer labor and design work, the eight-sided structure began to take shape with excavation and construction of the concrete and brick foundation and floor. With funding from townspeople and combinations of volunteer/professional services the wiring and actual construction of the bandstand was completed before the 1983-84 winter season. A complete list of all those who worked or donated goods or services to the project will be included with the final report in next year's Annual Report.

The Committee joined other townspeople in mourning the loss of one of its more dedicated members, Cliff Parker, whose contributions of time and building materials were greatly appreciated.

Financial Report

Sources of Funds	
HMS Pinafore	$ 628.00
1982 Road Race	460.30
1983 Road Race	345.74
Raffle	645.00
Hats, pins, etc.	945.71
Contributions	443.37
Total: Funds Raised Directly	$3,468.20
Contribution from Canterbury Fund	1,000.00
Savings account interest	57.81

Loan from Concord Savings Bank	1,300.00
Total Revenue:	$5,820.01
Expenses Paid	
Costs of fund raising	($ 857.19)
Construction — Foundation	(1,667.69)
Construction — Structure	(3,224.65)
Total construction costs	($4,892.34)
Total Expenses Paid:	($5,749.53)
Balance in Savings Account:	$70.48

CANTERBURY BANDSTAND COMMITTEE

Dale Caswell
Charles DuBois
Charlotte Dubois
Mary Ellen Fifield
Oliver Fifield, Chairman
James Lilly
Nancy Lilly
Robert Lockwood
Jackie Mears
William Mears
Clifton Parker
Elizabeth Peterson
Barbara Raymond
Paul Raymond
Robert Scarponi

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1983

Date	Place	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1983				
Jan. 31	Concord	Ryan Scott Dickson	Richard A. Dickson, Jr.	Kathryn P. Knowlton
Feb. 12	Concord	Stewart Douglas Pomeroy	Douglas S. Pomeroy	Catherine L. Stewart
17	Concord	Aidan Alexander Mirisola-Sullivan	Timothy G. Sullivan	Susan C. Mirisola
May 25	Concord	Jessica Ann Dollar	Rodney A. Dollar	Mary Ellen Pinette
Aug. 19	Canterbury	Scott Wesley Wheeler	Stephen A. Wheeler	Pamela Dow
24	Laconia	Jason Stanels Colby	Michael H. Colby	Darlynda M. Burton
Sept. 17	Concord	Gregory Cushing Souther	Geoffrey C. Souther	Roberta E. Streeter
Oct. 3	Concord	Patrick James Mahoney	Everett Mahoney	Catherine Makris
10	Concord	Kristen Anna Geiger	Glenn G. Geiger, Jr.	Nancy A. James
Nov. 24	Concord	Benjamin William Lott	William M. Lott	Andrea E. Hayes
Dec. 5	Concord	Laura Kent Ennis	Richard A. Ennis	Marjorie D. Moore
23	Concord	Jennifer Michele Near	Glenn W. Near	Michele Feliciotti

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHERYL A. GORDON, Town Clerk

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1983

Date	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Place of Residence
1983		
Jan. 15	Frank H. Jenkins, Jr. Marie D. Silvius	Concord Canterbury
May 28	Malcolm J. McPhail Julia M. Richardson	Canterbury Canterbury
30	John C. Dube Jeannine L. Letendre	Canterbury Canterbury
June 1	Frederick Briggs Claire E. Carroll	Canterbury Canterbury
19	Kenneth J. Stern Ilene D. Levine	Canterbury Canterbury
July 9	John S. Tonkin Kelli A. Kuchinsky	Canterbury Lochmere
16	Brooks E. Young Karen L. Cochrane	Franklin Canterbury
29	Paul R. Lepesquer Mary R. Shields	Canterbury Canterbury
Aug. 20	John P. LaPlante Virginia G. Plisko	Allenstown Canterbury
20	Daniel R. Poulin Rene M. Mastey	Sterling, MA. Canterbury
Sept. 3	James H. Magee Mary R. Shanahan	Canterbury Canterbury
30	Ronald R. Beauchesne Edna L. Beauchesne	Canterbury Canterbury

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DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF CANTERBURY, N.H.

For the Year Ending December 31, 1983

Date	Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1983				
Feb. 24	Laconia	Adella Duggan	Alphonse Gatermovitch	Unknown
Apr. 5	Concord	Ida M. Pickard	Bert Shaw	Mary Durgian
22	Canterbury	Franceis W. Young	Calvin Whitehead	Ella Knapp
June 11	Concord	Marion S. Messer	John T. Sharp	Abbie Colby
July 16	Canterbury	Anita I. Fields	Wilfred Bolduc	Clementine Drouin
20	Canterbury	James H. Field	Henry H. Field	Ada Boggs
Sept. 8	Franklin	Howard A. Young	Homer Young	Amy Wheeler

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CHERYL A. GORDON, Town Clerk

The Canterbury Fair

Story by Robert Lockwood

A story of enterprise, dedication and community effort that has literally put Canterbury, NH, on a national map showing outstanding events over the past 25 years. *

On the last Saturday in July of 1958, several hundred people from this central New Hampshire town and Merrimack County attended the first annual "Canterbury Country Fair and Bazaar," a fund raising project sponsored by the Ladies Benevolent Society of the Canterbury United Community Church.

The purpose of the fair was to raise funds to help pay for equipment and furnishings for the then-new Parish House. On the last Saturday in July of 1981, approximately 10,000 people from all over New Hampshire, New England, the east coast and a few foreign countries flocked into the center of town for the fair. The size of the crowd was a tribute to the fair's reputation and some outstanding attractions.

Since 1966, the fair has been run by a town-wide committee and its proceeds have been shared; approximately one half still goes to the church, the other half to the Canterbury Fund. Total proceeds over the 25-year period have amounted to nearly $125,000. The church uses its share to supplement its budget, and, in return, makes the Parish House available to local groups and organizations for meetings and events. The Canterbury Fund is used to help families in need or for local community projects like the expansion of the school's athletic fields, the bandstand, and scholarships for deserving local students.

The cover on this year's Annual Report for the Town of Canterbury depicts a pictorial history of the Canterbury Fair and its 25 years of growth and success. The outside collage of photographs shows the fair activities and people during the past three years; the inside photos show people and events that took place during the previous decades.

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